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Speech Invitation, The American Legion National Convention,  
San Antonio, Texas, 26 August 1987

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9 July 1987

Mr. James P. Dean  
National Commander  
The American Legion  
National Headquarters  
P.O. Box 1055  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46206

Dear Mr. Dean:

Thank you for the kind invitation to address The American Legion National Convention and receive the Legion's Distinguished Service Medal on August 26th in San Antonio, Texas. I am truly honored to be voted the recipient of this award, but unfortunately, due to a conflict in my schedule, I am unable to accept.

Please send my best regards to your delegates and good wishes for a successful convention.

Sincerely yours,

William H. Webster  
Director of Central Intelligence

*I am very proud of my Missouri - Legion Award  
and wish I could come from there.*

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2 July 1987

JUDGE:

RE: Speech Invitation  
The American Legion National Convention  
San Antonio, Texas  
26 August 1987

The National Commander of The American Legion, James P. Dean, on behalf of The American Legion, has invited you to address the Sixty-Ninth Annual National Convention and receive The American Legion Distinguished Service Medal at the award ceremony of the National Convention in San Antonio on Wednesday, 26 August, at approximately 9:35 a.m. Alternate dates would be the 25th or 27th of August. You are asked to address approximately four to five thousand delegates and distinguished guests in response to receiving the award. In addition, you are invited to the National Commander's Banquet on Tuesday, 25 August.

Previous recipients of this award have been Marshal Foch of France, Ernie Pyle, General Eisenhower, Caspar Weinberger and President Reagan. In 1982 Bill Casey addressed the Convention, but Senator Tower received the award.

Since you will be in Aspen and your leave plans preclude your participation, I have attached a letter of regret to Mr. Dean for your signature.

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[Redacted Signature]

Bill Baker

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OFFICE OF THE  
NATIONAL COMMANDER

June 11, 1987

Honorable William H. Webster  
Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Judge Webster:

On behalf of the 2.8 million members of The American Legion I congratulate you on your confirmation as Director of the CIA. We are confident the successes achieved by the FBI under your leadership will now be reflected in the accomplishments and growth of the CIA.

Since 1921, the National Organization of The American Legion has honored the achievements of men who have contributed significantly to the welfare of our nation through the medium of presenting to them its highest award, The American Legion Distinguished Service Medal. Previous recipients of this award, which include Marshal Foch of France, Ernie Pyle, General Eisenhower, Caspar Weinberger and President Reagan, are a most impressive group representing a "Who's Who" of contributors to the peace, freedom and security of our great nation. It is in that spirit you were selected to receive this honor.

Nominations for the award are made by the several states and by the National Commander. It was my privilege to place your name in nomination. At its meeting in Indianapolis, May 6-7, 1987, the National Executive Committee unanimously approved the award to you of our Distinguished Service Medal.

The rules governing the award require that it be presented to the recipient at the National Convention of The American Legion. Our 69th Annual National Convention will be held in San Antonio, Texas, with sessions on August 25, 26 and 27. We have scheduled presentation of the award to you on Wednesday, August 26, at approximately 9:35 a.m. However, if this is not compatible with your schedule, we will adjust the presentation to Tuesday or Thursday of that week. We would be pleased to have you address the delegates and guests who will be present, in response to the award.

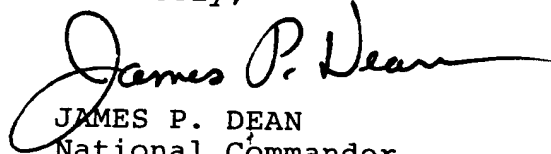
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The National Commander's Banquet will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 25. If your schedule will permit, I would be pleased to have you join me at the head table on that occasion. A head table reception will precede the banquet, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Dress for head table guests will be formal - white dinner jacket.

I look forward to your acceptance of this invitation, and will be most pleased to personally present the award to you at our National Convention. Upon receipt of your acceptance, we will contact you again in regard to the details of your attendance at our National Convention.

Sincerely,

  
JAMES P. DEAN  
National Commander

Central Intelligence Agency

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